

Section  
Project  
Job No.  
Route  
County  
Parcel

Dear :

As you have been previously informed, the State of Illinois, Department of Transportation, proposes to construct (improve) (Illinois or U.S.) Route from to . This construction requires the acquisition of parcel no. consisting of acres which we find is owned by . There are certain improvements located on this parcel that are owned by .

The amount of compensation for the taking of your property by the Illinois Department of Transportation has been established at \$ . A copy of the basis for computing the compensation and offer to purchase is enclosed.

"We remind you that, in any instance where the department prepared, or obtained, a formal appraisal that provides the basis for the offer, you may obtain a copy of that appraisal by submitting a written request. If you have not already done so, your written request for that appraisal should be immediately submitted to (District Engineer at district address)."

Pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/7-102.1, this department is required to provide you with this certified letter at least 60 days before filing a petition with any court to initiate an eminent domain action. It is our intent, however, to continue to seek a negotiated agreement with you and the fee owner of this real estate within this 60 day period and to avoid litigation if at all possible.

We are also required to inform you that, in the absence of a negotiated agreement, it is the intention of this department to initiate eminent domain proceedings.

**Certified Mail** – Return Receipt Requested